

REMARKS

Summary of Telephone Interview conducted on December 21, 2010

The undersigned attorney thanks the Examiner for the telephone interview conducted on December 21, 2010. During the interview, the undersigned attorney discussed the references cited in the previous Office Action and explained the claim amendments submitted with the Request for Continued Examination filed on September 27, 2010. The Examiner made several suggestions regarding additional claim amendments that could be made to further distinguish the claims over the cited references.

While no agreement with respect to the claims was reached, the Examiner's suggestions were helpful and form the basis of the amendments made herein.

CONCLUSION

The applicants have amended the application prior to examination on the merits to focus current examination on the apparatuses defined by the amended claims.

The undersigned attorney would welcome any questions that the Examiner may have regarding this Preliminary Amendment.

Examination on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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